

IN THE CLAIMS:

Please replace the following claims with the clean claims presented here as follows.
Marked-up claims showing the changes made appear after the REMARKS section.

Claim 1:

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SUB C17
1. A method for executing methods upon data objects distributed across
2 a plurality of nodes of a system from a special device comprising the steps of:
3 providing a first graphical interface display on said special device
4 permitting user selection of a data object category, selection of such category
5 resulting in display of a list of data objects available on the system;
6 responding to selection of a first of the data objects present in said list
7 to generate a second graphical interface display on said special device of at
8 least a portion of the contents of said first of the data objects together with a
9 display of a plurality of selectable regions, each of said regions representing
10 a respective method executable on said first data object; and
11 responding to selection of one of said methods to execute that method
12 upon the first data object and to display a first result of such execution on said
13 special device.
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Claim 25

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SUB C57
25. An apparatus for executing methods upon data objects distributed across a
2 plurality of nodes of a system comprising:
3 a special device having a display associated therewith;
4 means providing a first graphical user interface on said display, said
5 interface permitting user selection of a data object category, selection of such
6 category resulting in display of a list of data objects available on the system;
7 means for responding to selection of a first of the data objects present
8 in said list to generate a second graphical user interface on said special

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1 device of at least a portion of the contents of said first of the data objects
2 together with a display of a plurality of selectable regions, each of said
3 regions representing a respective method executable on said first data object;
4 and

5 means for responding to selection of one of said methods to execute
6 that method upon the first data object and to display a first result of such
7 execution on said special device.

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[Claim 26]

1 26. The apparatus of Claim 24 wherein said user selection of a data object
2 category is achieved by a point and touch operation executed on the graphical
3 interface display.

Claim 28

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- 1 28. The storage medium of Claim 27 wherein said agent/messenger
- 2 software provides user selection of a data object category, selection of such
- 3 category resulting in display of a list of data objects available on the system.